

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the Title on page 1, in its entirety, with the following rewritten title:

METHOD OF DRYING THERMOPLASTIC NORBORNENE RESIN, ~~THE~~  
~~SUBSTRATE FOR MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIA USING THE THERMOPLASTIC~~  
~~NORBORNENE RESIN, THE MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM USING THE SUBSTRATE,~~  
AND THE METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM.